

opinion of the Secretary of War may be necessary, may be charged to the appropriations for the support of the Army: *Provided further*, That applicable allowances which are or may be fixed by law or regulations for participation in other military activities shall not be exceeded.

Allowances not to be exceeded.

Approved, March 3, 1931.

**CHAP. 408.**—An Act To authorize the acquisition for military purposes of land in Orange County, New York, for use as an addition to the West Point Military Reservation.

March 3, 1931.

[S. 5732.]

[Public, No. 795.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Secretary of War is hereby authorized to acquire, by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, additional land in the vicinity of, and for use by, the United States Military Academy, in connection with the present military reservation at West Point, New York, such land being fifteen thousand one hundred and thirty-five acres, more or less, and including land surrounding Popolopen Lake, land bordering on the River Hudson, and other interlocking plots of land, all located in Orange County, New York; and the sum of \$1,500,000 is hereby authorized to be appropriated, from any funds in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, which sum shall remain available until expended: *Provided*, That nothing herein contained shall adversely affect the existing water supply, its sources, or pipe lines of the town of Highlands, New York.

West Point Military Reservation, N. Y.  
Acquisition of land for addition to, authorized.

Appropriation authorized.

*Proviso.*  
Highlands, N. Y.,  
water supply.

**SEC. 2.** The Secretary of War shall, by due advertisements in such manner as he deems best and calculated to give the widest necessary publicity, call for offers of land for use in connection with said West Point, New York, and if after negotiation he is able to buy said land or any part or parcel or tract thereof, and at such price or prices as he shall deem to be the fair and reasonable market value of the land, then he is authorized to purchase said land for said purpose at such prices; and if any of said offers of land are at prices deemed by the Secretary of War to be above the reasonable market value of such parcel or tract of land, and if after the negotiation the Secretary of War is unable to purchase the same at fair and reasonable prices as herein defined, then in such case the Secretary of War is authorized to request the Attorney General of the United States to institute condemnation proceedings for the acquiring of such tracts or parcels of land as may be necessary for such purpose.

Publication of intention to purchase.

Condemnation proceedings.

Approved, March 3, 1931.

**CHAP. 409.**—An Act To authorize twenty-four-hour quarantine inspection service in certain ports of the United States, and for other purposes.

March 3, 1931.

[S. 5743.]

[Public, No. 796.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Act entitled "An Act granting additional quarantine powers and imposing additional duties upon the Marine Hospital Service," approved February 15, 1893, as amended, is further amended by adding at the end thereof the following new sections:

Quarantine inspection service.  
Vol. 27, p. 449,  
amended.

**"SEC. 13.** The original bills of health required to be obtained in duplicate in foreign ports under the provisions of section 2 of this Act shall be presented to the collector of customs in accordance with the provisions of section 5 of this Act, and the duplicate copies of such bills of health shall be presented to the quarantine officer at the time quarantine inspection is performed by him.

Bills of health.  
Disposition of.  
Vol. 27, p. 450.

Regulations governing hours of service to be established.

Restrictions may be imposed.

Inspection after darkness not required, except in public interest.

Uniformity in regulation not required.

Certificates of health. Procurement of, after inspection.  
Vol. 27, p. 451.

Schedule of charges.

To be uniform for all ports.

Payment of; statement forwarded.

Accounting for.

Vol. 41, p. 875, repealed.

Medical benefits extended to inspectors, etc.

Sum authorized.

Contributions from steamship companies.

Repayment.

"SEC. 14. The Secretary of the Treasury shall establish by regulation the hours during which quarantine service shall be performed at each quarantine station, and, upon application by any interested party, may establish quarantine inspection during the twenty-four hours of the day, or any fraction thereof, at such quarantine stations as, in his judgment, require such extended service; but the Secretary may restrict the performance of quarantine inspection to hours of daylight for such arriving vessels as can not, in his opinion, be satisfactorily inspected during hours of darkness. Nothing herein contained, however, shall be construed to require a vessel upon arriving at the quarantine anchorage to undergo quarantine inspection during the hours of darkness, unless the quarantine officer at such quarantine station shall deem an immediate inspection necessary to protect the public health; nor shall any provision of this Act be construed to require uniformity in the regulations governing the hours during which quarantine inspection may be obtained at the various ports of the United States.

"SEC. 15. The certificate of health required by section 5 of this Act, shall, upon the arrival of any vessel from foreign ports at the anchorage or place established for quarantine inspection purposes in any port of the United States, be procurable at any time within which quarantine services are performed at such station from the quarantine health officer, following satisfactory inspection.

"SEC. 16. The Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed to prescribe a schedule of charges for quarantine services rendered to vessels at each of the national quarantine stations, which charges shall be reasonable and uniform for all ports, including the port of New York. The quarantine officer in each port of entry shall promptly forward to the collector of customs at such port an itemized statement of the quarantine services rendered to each vessel at the prescribed charges, which charges shall be paid to the collector of customs by said vessel prior to clearance or departure from such port. All such collections shall be accounted for by the collector of customs and shall be covered into the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts.

"The provisions of the Act of June 5, 1920 (41 Stat. 875), relating to the schedule of fees and rates of charges to be adopted and promulgated by the Secretary of the Treasury at the New York Quarantine Station are hereby repealed.

"SEC. 17. Any officer or employee of the Public Health Service on duty at any national quarantine station or on a national quarantine vessel, or detailed for duty in foreign ports, under the provisions of sections 2 and 5 of this Act, who is suffering from sickness or injury incurred in line of duty, shall be a beneficiary of the Public Health Service and shall be entitled to receive all necessary medical treatment and other benefits authorized to be furnished to beneficiaries."

SEC. 2. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated the sum of \$100,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to carry out the provisions of this amendatory Act.

SEC. 3. Whenever steamship companies desiring the benefits of such extended quarantine service at any port, shall offer to advance funds in order to permit the immediate institution of such service at such port, the Secretary of the Treasury may, in his discretion, receive such funds and expend the same for such purpose; and the moneys so contributed shall be repaid by the Secretary, without interest, from any funds appropriated under authority of section 2 of this Act.

Approved, March 3, 1931.